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1. AIR LIBERIA PRESIDENT CLEMENTS TOLD COMMERCIAL ATTACHE THAT AT TOMORROW'S BOARD MEETING, AIR LIBERIA BOARD WILL APPROVE SALE OF TWO (2) F-27'S TO HUGHES AIR WEST (FROM WHOM AIRCRAFT ORIGNALLY PURCHASED). SALE PRICE REPORTEDLY WILL BE \$725,000 FOR BOTH WHICH ACCORDING TO CLEMENS IS \$50,000 MORE THAN AIR LIBERIA PAID ORIGINALLY (\$285,000 EACH PLUS SPARES) AIRWEST FOR THE AIRCRAFT. F-27'S SHOULD LEAVE LIBERIA WITHIN A FEW WEEKS TIME.

2. AIR LIBERIA STILL THINKING OF REPLACING F-27'S WITH JET AIRCRAFT, BUT PLANNING ON THIS SEEMS TO HAVE SLOWED DOWN. CERTAINLY NO FIRM DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON THIS. CLEMENS REPORTS THAT BAC AND FOKKER TEAMS ARE IN TOWN TODAY MAKING SALES PITCHES, AND BOEING AND MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS REPS ARE EXPECTED THIS WEEKEND OR NEXT WEEK. AFTER THEN IT WILL BE MATTER OF AWAITING HIGH-LEVEL GOL DECISION ON JET ACQUISITION.

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